

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Serial No. **10/550,985** ) Conf. No.: **4668**  
Filed: **September 26, 2005** ) Art Unit: **1632**  
For: **USE OF SAPOSIN-RELATED PROTEINS** ) Examiner: **Magdalene K. Sgagias**  
**FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING** )  
**OBESITY, DIABETES AND/OR** )  
**METABOLIC SYNDROME** )

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2007, please amend the application as follows, and reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

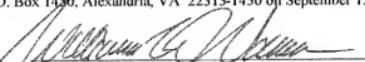
A Petition for a three-month extension of time is enclosed. It is not believed that any extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required. However, if any extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-5029 (Ref. No. 18744-0033).

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically filed with the Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop: Amendment, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on September 13, 2007.



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